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In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed on July 23, 2001, Applicants hereby petition for acceptance of Figure 11B as filed. Applicants respectfully submit that Figure 11B was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers filed on January 8, 2001. Figures 11B-C represent data derived from  $\beta$ -galactosidase assays. Figure 11B represents the negative control which, as expected, lacks any detectable signal, thus, the figure appears to be blank. In contrast Figure 11C, represents positive signal indicating the presence of  $\beta$ -galactosidase activity. Applicants submit herewith a copy of Figure 11B and 11C as filed.

The required petition fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (h) is submitted herewith. The

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